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This is UNEVALUATED Information

1. At 1600 on 26 February 1955, a train carrying 12 x 76-mm field guns, 30 trucks and 5 sedans was seen at the Weissenfels railroad station. 25X1
2. At 2200 on 1 March, artillery units, probably from the Hubertus Kaserne (8382), and trucks were entrained at the Naumburg railroad station. During the same night, three shipments of units from the Hindenburg Kaserne (8383) were entrained at the Ostbahnhof in Naumburg and presumably went toward the Hartz Mts.
3. On 8 March, the Hindenburg Kaserne appeared to be empty. The gates were closed. The signal unit previously stationed in the Barbara Kaserne (8384) in Naumburg had apparently left. No personnel or vehicles were observed there. The Hubertus Kaserne in Naumburg was occupied by approximately 600 soldiers of an engineer unit which were equipped with DLP and DMP-42 type pontoons. Six DUKW-353 type amphibious vehicles and several amphibious vehicles of a smaller type were also observed. 25X1
4. At 1600 on 3 March, 35 to 40 trucks, billeting equipment and approximately 400 soldiers from the Hindenburg Kaserne (8442) were entrained at the Oberer Bahnhof in Plauen. The soldiers wore black-bordered red emblems and carried small infantry weapons. 25X1

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Comment. In late February and early March, units of the 57th Gds Mtz Rifle Div and Hq Units of the XXIX Gds Mtz Rifle Corps transferred, probably for exercises. They had not returned by 8 March. The present report indicates that the exercises involved the division headquarters, the 89th Gds Sig Bn, the 655th How Arty Regt of the division and the 27th Gds Sig Bn of the corps from Naumburg whereas all elements of the 67th Engr Bn of the division were stationed in their quarters in the Hubertus Kaserne at that time.

Comment. Units of the 112th Gds Mtz Rifle Regt of the 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div were entrained, presumably for exercises or for employment at the zonal border. 25X1

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